

**I CLAIM:**

1. A suitcase comprising:

a suitcase body including a bottom portion, a front portion, and a rear portion, and

5 a bracing device including a plate secured to said rear portion and said bottom portion of said suitcase body, and said plate including at least one slot formed therein, to define at least one flap therein, and

said bracing device further including a board having a rear  
10 portion to be engaged into said at least one slot of said plate, and having a front portion to be engaged onto said front portion and said bottom portion of said suitcase body, and

said at least one flap of said plate being engageable onto said board, to maintain said board in an engagement with said bottom  
15 portion of said suitcase body, and to prevent said board from being disengaged from said bottom portion of said suitcase body.

2. The suitcase as claimed in claim 1 further comprising means for retaining said board in said suitcase body.

3. The suitcase as claimed in claim 2, wherein said retaining  
20 means includes a sheet member having a first edge secured to said suitcase body, and a second edge secured to said board.

4. The suitcase as claimed in claim 3, wherein said second edge of said sheet member is secured to said front portion and said board.

5. The suitcase as claimed in claim 1, wherein said plate  
25 includes at least one second flap extended therefrom and having a length smaller than that of said at least one flap of said plate.